

CROP DIVERSIFICATION AND MIXED FARMING IS MORE REMUNERATIVE

ANALYSIS OF THE COST OF GRAIN PRODUCTION

The Necessity of Mixed Farming is Becoming More Pronounced
and Investigations Carried on in Canada Show that
Diversification Brings Greater Prosperity

Probably the most outstanding feature of that crop was less in 1932 than in 1931. The cost of growing corn, indirectly, the country as a whole, is increasing, but the cost of growing corn, before it is planted, can do this. The greater the pif, for cost of production, the greater the chance of success, agriculture would be lifted (as in a rather lackluster year) by diversifying, and the more opportunities are there for success. This is the more interesting, when it is considered that with all the other factors being equal, mixed farming is being more remunerative and mixed farming is being more remunerative. In a one-crop country (a country where all the factors are equal), there is more or less the principal one, as in Canada) this class of farming is less remunerative. The cost per acre of this crop was \$6.64, or 33 per cent less.

Some interesting figures are presented showing the division of production costs between the various items in all cases was the cost of preparing the ground, which included the cost of plowing, harrowing, and harrowing. There are little variation in preparation costs, except for corn, wheat, or double the total production of the whole world.

If the remaining idle land were put under cultivation, Canada could grow wheat, or double the total production of the whole world.

Today Canada, with an annual production of about 1,000,000 bushels, occupies fifth place in the nations of the world, barely beaten by Australia. The cost of production per acre is \$23.20, as compared with 24 for wheat, which was the highest item in the per acre cost of growing corn, or greater than for the other crops.

An interesting factor in the production cost sheet is that of rainfall. The land was held, by taking the available water per acre, when it was owned by the farmer, and when it was owned by a calculation of the value of the land, the latter's area is eighteen times greater than the whole-producing nations.

Great efforts were renouned to estimate that this year there will be a shortage of grain, and to prevent general suffering this shortage must be supplied by Canada, and by the latter's production in part.

Throughout the Maritime Provinces and in Ontario the prevailing rate of production is 100 per cent, and corn and made an even better record.

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hectare of land in the Americas.

The correspondents of the department for the most part agree that the cost of growing corn is less than growing grain alone. This is true not only because the cost of the land only, but also because the cost of the ground of farmyard manure, but because grain, when it is grown, insures cleaner a richer land, and cleaner grain, permits the best results in the production of grain year round, and creates a home market for cheap fodder. Also, though grain is more expensive to grow, it is to some extent, to insure stability of production.

In the latter, some surprising variations between the two years on which records were available, and the six crops investigated—fall wheat, spring wheat, corn, oats, barley, and rye—showed a marked decrease in 1932 over 1931, and three decreases.

Fortunately the grain prices have increased, and a rise in the cost of grain, and a substantial reduction in the cost of producing it. Indeed, the value per

Freedom of Poland

New Law Gives Self-Government to Polish People

A new law gives local municipal self-government to all towns and cities as a substantial element of the promised emancipation.

The law, which is attested on correspondence, has correspondence with state departments, as also with other officials, and the Polish government must be in the common language of the state, namely, Russian.

Polish municipal departments in Russia must be in Russian.

Under the new law, similar notification must be in both languages in parallel. Debates in either language must be in the language of the people.

But the president is obliged to explain the substance of a speech in any language, and his speech must be in the language of the people.

Other officials, and the people, are to follow it. Minutes of meetings are to be in the language of the people.

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"Stick-to-it-iveness" Pays

The rolling stone gathers no moss. It is also true that the rolling farmer—the man who changes from grain raising to dairying, from dairying to grain farming and back again to dairying, does not reap all the reward to which his labor might entitle him. It's always expensive to change. The man who sells his cattle when everybody else is selling usually has to part with them at a low price. When he buys again it usually happens that everybody else is buying and he has to pay an extra high price. Experience proves that the man who sticks to stock, year in and year out, is the prosperous, substantial farmer with a good home, a fertile farm, a bank account and no mortgage.

Fix Up Your Yard.

A well graded yard or lawn planted with ornamental trees, vines or bright flowers, is one of the most attractive features that can be introduced on a town lot and shows that the owner has taste and pride and thinks life worth living. A number of Bassano citizens have done a lot of work on their lawns and flower beds, and with the judicious application of water during the dry months, the town will have a number of beautiful spots. It is just such efforts as these that change a house and lot from a stop-gap place to a "home".

Canadian Soldiers Hard Hit.

Our hearts have been saddened this week on hearing of the heavy casualties that have befallen our Canadian soldier boys during the recent heavy fighting in France. We can now realize what a serious business war is and it is urged that the answer be an increase of fifty thousand in the force of the Canadian army. No doubt should re-building be started immediately the ranks could be quickly filled.

Give Us a Three Cent Stamp.

Along with other papers that have taken up the matter, the Mail would urge that for the convenience of the public a special three-cent stamp be struck off to cover the new war tax. We are all willing to bear our burden, but we would appreciate it in the most convenient form available.

MAJORITY

When you feel out of sorts you are not carrying enough atmosphere, we read: although some folks with old fashioned ideas fancy they are suffering from liver complaints or a session with the constables.

Dan Sunday confesses that he tackles a bucket of beer occasionally, which proves that there is some divergence of opinion as to what constitutes a clean life.

"Dad, darling," remarked little Willie, "what does 'liberal' really mean?" "Beloved son," replied Willie Sr., "it means like-bound."

We would not mind being a jockey rider in the true sense of the game, but as far as the world outside goes, a jockeying along there is nothing doing at our house. Russell and Fred have been seen on the roads quite a bit of late, but always well cared for and attended.

Agriculture. Up till now if Supervision of Railways was Extended to the Far West, the local official who believed there is no reason why the government by commission should not be extended to the farmers as well as the carriers, has prepared the draft of a

FOR THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN.



Mrs. Lloyd George, wife of the British chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Mayor of Camberwell opening the Camberwell club for the women relatives of soldiers and sailors.

IRRIGATIONISTS DOING WELL.

Gen. P. O., Alberta, November 18th, 1914.

We will state a few facts in regard to what we did this summer. We had 20 acres of raw potato broken out last spring, and seeded it to oats. While it was late in the season when we planted the seed lay in the ground about two weeks, and when we harvested it about the 15th of June, and the oats came up about the 20th. We harvested our crop of oats on the 12th and 13th of September. The average yield per acre was 53 bushels. I think irrigation has been a factor here and for mixed farming and stock raising, the country has no equal.

(sgd.) OEO, W. PARROT

W. W. PARROT

A few irrigationists have been selected by the governor with a view to ascertain as many shades of political opinion as possible. No commission shall, however, demand disqualification of persons political, unless expressed.

W. W. PARROT

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

A GENUINE CLOSING-OUT SALE

ENTIRE STOCK, FIXTURES, ETC., TO BE SOLD

WE have decided to close out our business here completely and realize that to do this quickly we must sacrifice all profits. We take this opportunity of expressing to the people of Bassano and district our hearty appreciation of the generous patronage with which they have favored us during the past four years. Our aim has always been to handle goods of known quality so as to assure satisfaction and at the same time to keep prices at the lowest possible figure. Coming at a time when nearly everyone finds it necessary to economize, this Closing Out Sale should be most welcome, and the genuine bargains offered will be real money savers to you.

Everything Must be Sold---No Reserve

SALE BEGINS FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 30.

TERMS
CASH

FARM PRODUCE TAKEN AT MARKET PRICES

Boots & Shoes

For All the Family
at a Great Saving

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| Infants' Kid Shoes, in black, red and tan, regular 1.25. | .95 |
| Child's Fine Shoes, reg. 2.35. Retiring Sale | 1.65 |
| Misses' Fine Shoes, reg. 2.75. Retiring Sale | 2.15 |
| Ladies' Tan Shoes, reg. 5.00. Retiring Sale | 3.75 |
| Ladies' Gunmetal and "Vine" Kid, reg. 4.50 now | 3.50 |
| Men's Fine Gun Metal Shoes, reg. 5.00 now | 4.25 |
| Men's Fine Shoes, reg. 6.00. Retiring Sale | 4.75 |
| Men's Pumps, reg. 4.00 Retiring Sale | 2.75 |
| Men's Working Shoes, regular 4.50 now | 3.45 |
| regular 5.50, ret. sale | 4.25 |

MEN'S OVERALLS

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| Regular 1.00, Retiring Sale | .75 |
| " 1.50, " " | 1.15 |
| Men's Duck Pants, reg. 2.00 Retiring Sale | 1.40 |
| Men's Khaki Coats, Norfolk style, reg. 3.00 | 2.25 |

Men's Sheep Lined Coats

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| Regular 10.50, Retiring Sale | 6.95 |
| Regular 15.00, now | 10.00 |

This is a chance of a lifetime to get a good coat at less than manufacturer's prices.

Ladies' Skirts

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| Panamis and Serge, Reg. 5.00, Retiring Sale | 3.00 |
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Men's Underwear

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| TIGER BRAND. | |
| Regular 2.00, Retiring Sale | 1.35 |
| Regular 1.25, retiring Sale | 85c |

SOVEREIGN BRAND.

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| Fine Wool, Reg. 1.25 per garment, Retiring Sale | 95c |
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Bed Spreads

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| White Damask Bed Spreads, reg. 3.30 | 2.45 |
| reg. 5.00, now | 3.90 |

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HOSE

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| Fine Cashmere, reg. 60c. | 45c |
| Everlast Cotton, reg. 35c. | 25c |

Corsets

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| C. O. & La Grace Brand, perfect fitting, reg. 1.25. | 95c |
| Retiring Sale | |
| Regular 1.75, for | 1.25 |
| " 2.50 | 1.85 |
| " 3.50 | 2.25 |

Men's Working Gloves.

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| All Good Brands. | |
| Regular 1.00, Retiring Sale | .75 |
| " 1.25, " | .95 |
| " 1.50, " | 1.15 |

Prints and Ginghams

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| Regular 15c. yd., Retiring Sale | 10c |
| Regular 20c. Ret. Sale | 15c |

Comforters

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| Crib Comforters, reg. 1.75, Retiring Sale | 1.10 |
| Fine Large Down Comforters, Down Filled, regular 12.50 | 8.75 |
| Retiring Sale | |

Men's Hats and Caps

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| A large assortment of the best makes in soft and stiff, all 2.50 and 3.00 lines. Ret. Sale | 1.65 |
| Stetson Hats, reg. 4.50 | 3.25 |

A big range of Men's Caps from 25c up.

MEN'S SUITS

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| Well made, good fitting Suits, 12.50, Ret. Sale | 7.95 |
| 22.50, Suits now | 14.75 |

Men's Odd Pants

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| In Tweeds and Worsts, Regular 2.50, Ret. Sale | 1.90 |
| " 4.00, " | 3.15 |
| " 5.00, " | 3.95 |

Linen Collars

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| Regular 2 for 25c., Retiring Sale, 6 for | 50c |
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MEN'S SILK TIES

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| Reg. 50c., Retiring Sale 3 for 1.00 | .20 |
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YOUR CHANCE TO SAVE MONEY

BEST HOUSE FURNISHINGS

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| All Wall Paper at Half Price. | |
| Linoleum, reg. 65c. sq. yd. now | 45c |
| Jap Matting, reg. 30c. | 20c |
| Stair Carpet, " 35c. | 25c |
| Rugs from 90c. up. | |
| Verandah Screens and Porch Blinds, regular 3.00, retiring sale | 2.00 |
| " 3.50, " | 2.50 |
| " 4.50, " | 3.50 |
| Hall Linoleum, reg. 50c. yd. now | 35c |

GROCERIES! GROCERIES!

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| Finnan Haddie, reg. 25c., retiring sale | 2 for .35 |
| Peanut Butter, " 25c. | .20 |
| Dates, 1 lb. pkgs. | .10 |
| Soup, regular 15c. | .10 |
| Ammonia Powder, reg. 15c. | .10 |
| Chloride of Lime | 3 for .25 |
| Coffee, " reg. 35c. | .28 |
| Fry's Cocoa " 35c. | .25 |
| Vinegar " 75c. | .50 |
| Best Seed Potatoes | .95 |
| Sodas, Mooney's and Christie's, retiring sale | .20 |
| Lemons, regular 40c. | .25 |
| Brooms " 60c. | .45 |
| Qart Sealers 1.35 | 1.05 |
| Strictly Fresh Eggs | .20 |
| Toilet Soap, assorted, reg. .05. | .05 |
| Old Kentucky Tobacco, reg. 15c. | 2 for .25 |
| Payroll Cheowing " 50c. lb. | .43 |
| Forest and Stream | 3 for .25 |
| Beans, finest quality, reg. 10c. lb. now 7 lbs. for 50c | |

CROCKERY and GLASSWARE

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| 2 only Dinner Sets (97 pieces) regular 20.00, retiring sale | \$13.50 |
| Toilet Set, (6 pieces) reg. 3.00 for 2.00 | |
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New Spring Suits, \$18.—Torgan.

If mosquitoes are a sure sign of wheat, we could almost borrow money on this year's crop.

The local Rebelskals entertained their friends at a social evening in the Masonic Hall on Monday.

Good Seed Potatoes for \$1.00 per bushel.—Bassano Trading Co.

The grasshoppers are coming along in time to provide bait for the opening of the fishing season.

Turkey Eggs for Hatching, \$1.75 per setting; also Duck Eggs at 75¢ per setting.—J. C. Lee.

E. R. Muir is moving from the Hames house to Murchison house, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Wade.

What is the difference between life and love? Life is one damn thing after another, and love is two damn things after each other.

Ottawa, April 27.—General Hughes intimated tonight that orders for shells for the allies to extent of \$175,000,000 were being executed in Canada.

Gro. Neal, of Steveville, who participated with the Princess Patricia Light Infantry, has been wounded in battle, according to a recent dispatch.

Despondency and the "Blues," usually the result of constipation, quickly succumb to Rexall Ointment.

Sold only by The Rexall Store, 10c., 25c., & 50c. boxes.—J. H. Stiles Bassano.

One of the daily papers says that it is good news for the Calgary oil fields to hear that Great Britain is laying down five new oil consuming dreadnaughts and Italy is to follow the idea. What is really wanted is a ship designed to burn up some of the worthless oil stock. We might want what oil we have to show to visitors.—Ex.

The commander of the German commerce raider, Kron Prinz Wilhelm, has decided to intern his ship at Newport News, Va., as he having sailed into that port a couple of weeks ago for repairs and found the passage out too well guarded. This is the second German raider to intern in this port during the past month and there are but few more at large.

The great concentration camp being formed on the Sarco Indian Reserve will be model of scientific and hygienic principles. The Calgary water supply will be tapped to supply the soldiers with the best possible water, and everything will be done to prevent all outbreak of disease. The work of construction will be done by the Canadian Engineers, under Lt. Col. P. Weatherhead. Five battalions of infantry and three regiments of mounted rifles, in addition to corps units, will form the big camp; in all there will be approximately 6,000 men and officers under canvas by the end of May.

Swift Current Herald.—In the Winnipeg Free Press of Saturday, under the "Thirty Years Ago" heading, appears the following item: "The steamer Northcote is at Swift Current assisting in Col. Otter's transfer. They expect to reach Battleford in four days." The above was published during the Riel rebellion days, and the location of Swift Current in those days was a point on the Saskatchewan river north of this city, now known as Saskatchewan Landing. Under another heading, the Free Press says: Capt. John Griggs took command of the steamer Northcote in April 1880—35 years ago.

Suits pressed only, 75¢—Torgan.

Frank Murchison, of Calgary, was a visitor in town for several days this week.

Strictly fresh eggs, 20¢ per dozen.—Bassano Trading Co.

As several important questions are to be under discussion at the Board of Trade meeting next Wednesday evening, the members and all those interested are requested to be present.

Suits cleaned and pressed, \$1.50, at Torgan's.

T. F. Millett, of Gorham, Maine, conducted the services in the Presbyterian last Sunday evening. Mr. Millett is a land owner in the Bassano district and has been here supervising his interests during spring operations.

Don't scold the child, if she is cross; give her Rexall Ointment, as the trouble is probably with the bowels. Sold only by The Rexall Store, 10c., 25c., & 50c. boxes.—J. H. Stiles, Bassano.

The C. P. R. \$5,000,000 suit against the Aktieselskab Maritime, a Norwegian company, owning the Stord, the collier which rammed the C.P.R. liner Empress of Ireland in the Gulf of St. Lawrence last May, with the loss of 1012 lives, has gone in favor of the C.P.R., but the damages are to be assessed by the registrar of the admiralty court, W. S. Walker.

The Provincial Legislature at Edmonton decided to allow two years to commence and three more years for completion of the Bassano and Bow Valley Railroad. The bill provides for raising the mileage cost from \$14,000 to \$20,000 per mile and building the line as far as Coronation. The increased cost of the road is due to the fact that it is to be operated by steam instead of electricity as originally contemplated.

Battle Creek, Mich., April 22.—Mrs. E. F. Maurer and Miss Edna Maurer, of Bassano, Alberta, were guests of the Postum Cereal Co. management on Wednesday afternoon, as this well known food plant is one of the most interesting and attractive places to visit in this city. With their friends the visitors from Alberta were shown every process in the making of Postum, Grape-Nuts and other food products made by this firm which is one of the largest pure food plants in the world. The Maurer gallery is one of the unique features of this visit, as the private art collection of the late C. W. Post which is now on exhibition here has over a hundred paintings in oil and water colors by some of the world's greatest artists.

Postum has several old English paintings by Thos. Sidney Cooper, and one by Painter of the Scottish Highlands, together with some of equally famous paintings by Sir Peter Paul Rubens. This food company entertained over 20,000 persons last year and these visitors came from nearly every state and province in the world.

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Time Table**

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No. 1. 12.30 o'clock.
No. 2. 16.47 o'clock.

GOING EAST

No. 1. 4.22 o'clock.
No. 2. 18.02 o'clock.

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